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Other Documents								
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	A1	ASTM Designation E 96-80, "Standard Test Methods for Water Vapor Transmission of Materials", Published February 1981, pp. 87-96.						
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